P-407, 421/CP-89-105GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of a Petition for Extended Area Service from the Nickerson Exchange to the Askov, Carlton, and Moose Lake Exchanges ISSUE DATE: November 14, 1989

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ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On April 24, 1989 the Commission issued its <u>Order Varying Time Requirements of Minn. Rules</u>, <u>Parts 7815.0800 Through 7815.1000 and Requiring Informational Filings</u> in the above-captioned matter. That Order required the Department of Public Service (the Department) to file a stipulation of facts in the proceeding on or before June 24, 1989.

On October 26, 1989 the Department filed a request for an extension of time, stating it had been unable to prepare the stipulation during the designated time due to the complexity of the issues and lack of adequate information from affected telephone companies. The Department stated it expected to file the stipulation within four weeks of receiving the necessary information. The information was expected on or about November 20.

No party opposed the request.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Commission finds that the Department's request for an extension of time is reasonable and should be granted. The reasons for the request are sound. The amount of time sought is reasonable. Neither the public interest nor any party's interests will be prejudiced by the delay.

The extension will be granted.

<u>ORDER</u>

- 1. The Department is granted an extension of time until December 19, 1989 to file a stipulation of facts in the above-captioned matter.
- 2. This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Lee Larson Acting Executive Secretary

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